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2	The Honorable JOHN C. COUGHENOUR
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5	UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT NOV 24 2009 DJ
6	WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON AT SEATTLE CLERK US DISTRICT COLUMN
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8	MATTHEW BUHL, et al., CASE NO. 2:09-cv-0598-JCC
9	Plaintiffs, DECLARATION BY PLAINTIFF KERIC MCKENNA
10	v. NOTE ON CALENDAR:
11	JOHN DOE, et al, November 24, 2009
12	Defendants.
13	09-CV-00598-CVSHT
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15	DECLARATON OF KERIC MCKENNA
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17	I, Keric S McKenna, being first duly sworn under oath under penalty of perjury of the
18	laws of the State of Washington, do hereby declare as follows: Samantha J Chase, being first
19	duly sworn under oath under penalty of perjury of the laws of the State of Washington, do
20	hereby declare as follows:
21	After months of desperately searching in vain for an attorney that handles cases of the
22	type and sensitivity of the one Matt Buhl filed on my and four (4) others' behalf last June, I was
23	informed that a Show Cause hearing would be held November 10th 2009, at which we would
24	have an opportunity to explain why we failed to appear at a scheduling hearing set for October
PL/	20th, 2009. My co-plaintiffs and I feel overwrought with challenges in bringing our case before a

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judge. We are not lawyers, and it has been another challenge to find a lawyer willing take our case. It has been extremely distressing to learn as we go under these circumstances, without a lawyer to assist even in simple procedural matters. I arrived in the court lobby no less than five (5) minutes before our hearing was scheduled to be held. My compatriots hurried up to the courtroom while I struggled for several minutes to untie a knot in my shoe. My shoe had set off the metal detector and needed to be X-rayed. I arrived in the courtroom last to find my coplaintiffs and one attorney milling about as if court had yet to commence. We sat on the left side of the courtroom and waited from five to ten minutes before the court clerk and a lady I presumed to be the stenographer began to prepare for the proceedings. At about fifteen (15) after 9am court commenced and we waited for our case to be called. It never was, and we were informed by the clerk later that our case had been called and that it had been dismissed. We were all stunned and devastated. Respectfully submitted, Seattle, WA. 98115

PLAINTIFF KERIC MCKENNA'S DECLARATION- 2

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CERIFICATE OF SERVICE I hereby certify that, on this 24rd day of November, 2009, a true and complete copy of the foregoing Declaration was sent by First Class Certified U.S. Mail to the parties below: Seattle Police Department 610 Fifth Avenue P.O. Box 34986 Seattle, WA 98124-4986 Seattle City Attorney Thomas Carr 600 4th Ave, 4th Floor PO Box 94769 Seattle, WA 98124-4769 5307 4th Ave So, #223 Seattle, WA 98108